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SUBJ: SAG BANS INKATHA NEWSLETTER; BUTHELEZI COMMENT

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1. SOUTH AFRICAN GOVERNMENT'S PUBLICATIONS CONTROL BOARD TOOK ACTION SEPT. 27 BANNING A NEW PUBLICATION PUT OUT BY CHIEF BUTHELEZI'S POLITICAL/CULTURAL MOVEMENT, INKATHA. THE PUBLICATION, IN FORM OF A NEWS BULLETIN, WAS DESIGNED TO EXPLAIN INKATHA AND BUTHELEZI'S POSITIONS TO THE PUBLIC, ACCORDING TO INKATHA. FIRST ISSUE CONTAINED MAINLY ARTICLES BY BUTHELEZI WHICH PREVIOUSLY HAD APPEARED IN PRESS INCLUDING HIS SEPT. 18 STATEMENT TO SECRETARY KISSINGER. SAG FIRST MOVED AGAINST INKATHA BULLETIN ON SEPT. 24 WHEN POLICE SEIZED 7,000 COPIES OF BULLETIN APPARENTLY INTENDED FOR DISTRIBUTION TO A SHAKA'S DAY RALLY NEAR DURBAN (REFTEL). SAG SECURITY POLICE WERE REPORTED TO STATE BULLETIN WAS BANNED BECAUSE IT FURTHERED AIMS OF THE 1952 "FREEDOM CHARTER" SIGNED BY ORGANIZATIONS ALREADY BANNED IN SOUTH AFRICA.

2. INKATHA BULLETIN'S PUBLISHER, WALTER FELGATE OF ZENITH PRESS, TOLD POLICE THAT A LARGE CONSIGNMENT OF THE BULLETIN

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HAD ALREADY BEEN SENT TO THE NETHERLANDS BEFORE THE INITIAL

SEPT. 24 SEIZURE. (FELGATE ALSO WAS DESCRIBED BY PRESS AS  
MANAGING DIRECTOR OF "ISIZWE SECHABA", A BLACK NEWSPAPER  
CHIEF BUTHELEZI HOPES EVENTUALLY TO PUBLISH).

3. BUTHELEZI HAS NOT YET REACTED TO FORMAL BANNING OF  
PUBLICATION BUT ON SEPT. 24, SPEAKING WITH REFERENCE TO  
INITIAL SEIZURE OF INKATHA BULLETIN, SAID "THIS KIND OF  
ACTION COULD DISTURB THE CALM THAT HAS PREVAILED IN NATAL  
UP TO NOW".  
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